FINANCE COMMITTEE LEWISTON, MAINE

Minutes of May 5, 2008

PRESENT: Chairman Roger Provencher, Ronald Paradis, Councilor Denis Theriault, Stavros Mendros and Councilor Robert Reed

ABSENT:

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Chairman Provencher.

On motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(30-2008) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated April 14, 2008 and to accept and place them on file.

VOTE: 5-0

On motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(31-2008) To ratify approval of the following recommendation on the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget to the Mayor and City Council:

The Finance Committee makes the following recommendation to the Mayor and City Council in regards to the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget:

"After careful review of the FY 2009 City Administrator proposed budget, it is recommended that the City Council continue their budget deliberations and seriously consider all new spending initiatives, as well as organizational realignment opportunities that will reduce the proposed impact on the taxpayers of our community, while not reducing the 'critical' services to our citizens."

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee considered authorization of a Task Order with Sebago Technics on the Goff Brook Area CSO Project. The Task Order would be performed under a one (1) year Master Service Agreement with Sebago Technics for this type of engineering services.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Reed it was

VOTED:

(32-2008) To authorize Task Order #08153 for the Goff Brook Area CSO Project with Sebago Technics, Auburn, Maine, at a total fee not to exceed \$48,400.

VOTE: 5-0

A request was made to authorize a Change Order on the Combined Sewer Overflow Project with Sargent Corporation. The work would include extending new water and sewer mains on Water Street to include the placing of 90 feet of water main and relocating it within the street the sewer work to include connecting to additional house services that were not shown on the original plans.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Reed, seconded by Mr. Paradis it was

VOTED:

(33-2008) To authorize Change Order #3 on the CSO Project with Sargent Corporation to extend new water and sewer mains on Water Street at a total cost of \$10,299.31.

VOTE: 5-0

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Theriault, seconded by Mr. Mendros it was

VOTED:

(34-2008) To award Bid 2008-014 on the College Road Water Main Replacement Project to St. Laurent & Son, Lewiston, Maine, low bidder at their total estimated bid price of \$84,910.

VOTE: 5-0

The Committee reviewed and discussed the proposals received on Financial Audit Services from Runyon Kersteen Ouellette, South Portland, Maine. Although five (5) firms were solicited within the state to provide these services, Runyon Kersteen Ouellette was the only firm responding to the proposal. Runyon Kersteen Ouellette have been performing the Audit Services for the City in excess of ten (10) years and have a strong reputation within the State for auditing of governmental entities.

On recommendation of the Finance Director and on motion of Mr. Paradis, seconded by Mr. Mendros it was

VOTED:

(35-2008) Subject to final approval by the City Council, to award the contract on Financial Auditing Services (Bid 2008-020) for a three (3) year period to Runyon Kersteen Ouellette, South Portland, Maine, at their total bid price for three year period of \$210,500.

VOTE: 5-0

VOTED:

To adjourn at 5:12 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee